TOWN/UNIVERSITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Tuesday, October 13, 2009
Audrey Beck Municipal Building
Council Chambers
4:00 pm

Minutes

Present: P. Barry, N. Silander, R. Ganim, T. Haggerty, J. Hintz, J. Saddlemire, S. Rhodes, M. Hart, T. Callahan, W. Simpson, B. Clouette

Staff: J. Jackman, C. VanZelm, B. Deluka (SP), G. Padick

- 1. Meeting was called to order at 4:07 PM by Co-Chairperson S. Rhodes
- September 9, 2009 Meeting Minutes
 The minutes of September 9, 2009 were passed unanimously.
- 3. Updates:
- a. Membership: New members R. Ganim and T. Haggerty were introduced and welcomed to the Town/University Relations Committee.
 - Membership of the committee is complete with the exception of one citizen member who will be appointed by the Mansfield Town Council.
- b. Bikeway: M. Hart reported that the new bikeway is essentially complete and is being actively used. The town will complete the minor landscaping that remains this construction season or during the spring construction season. It was noted that the bikeway has improved public safety as the vast majority of pedestrians are no longer using the road.
 - G. Padick distributed the Prioritized Mansfield Walkways data sheet for the committee's information.
 - The committee requested an update on lighting for the new walkway for the next meeting.
- c. Mansfield Downtown Partnership: C. VanZelm reported that the Partnership has received a commitment from an existing tenant and hopes to have additional tenant commitments in the near future. In addition she reported that: the celebrate Mansfield Weekend (Sept. 11-13) was very successful and that they are working on the Storrs Road design with B L Companies, and Mansfield DPW, a public meeting will be held when the design is completed; and, that the Partnership had received a \$200,000 grant for site work.
- d. Mansfield Community Campus Partnership: N. Silander and J. Hintz reported on the MCCP October meeting and the outreach activities of the MCCP.
- e. Community Quality of Life Committee: B. Clouettte reported on the October meeting of the Quality of Life Committee and that they are

working on recommendations in regard to parking, tenant registration and ordinance/zoning regulation of tenant occupancy to present to the Town Council.

- 4. UConn Projects Update: Nothing to report.
- 5. Spring Weekend Report: S. Rhodes presented a draft 2009 Spring Weekend Report for the Committees consideration. B. Clouette moved that the committee accept the report as presented. Seconded by J. Saddlemire. After discussion B. Clouette accepted several friendly amendments to the motion to revise page 8, 15, and 16 and to remove page 17. Motion as amended passed unanimously. S. Rhodes will make the revisions as approved by the committee and submit the 2009 Spring Weekend Report to the University Board of Trustees and the Mansfield Town Council.
- 6. Other Business/Announcements: None
- 7. Opportunity for the Public to Address the Committee: No public comment received.
- 8. Meeting adjourned at 5:40

Next Meeting: November 10, 2009

Respectfully Submitted,

John Jackman, Deputy Chief(Fire Marshal)/Emergency Management Director Town of Mansfield